Oyster River Cooperative School Board Long Range Planning Committee Meeting

June 20, 2016 ORHS 7:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Lisa Allison, David Taylor, Robert Mohr, Alyson Mueller School Board Representative Present: Denise Day

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Alyson Mueller of Durham has been appointed by the school board to the Long Range Planning Committee, replacing Tom Merrick of Durham, who resigned from the committee for health reasons after many years of dedicated service to the ORCSD on the LRPC and other committees.

Denise Day showed us the current elementary school enrollment by grade for the coming school year and explained the plan for staffing to accommodate expected summer move-ins. We reviewed the history of prior year LRPC projections and October enrollments. It was pointed out that the elementary total projections by grade level are much closer to actual than the projections for the individual schools, particularly for kindergarten and first grade. The projections for grades 2-4 are based on grade progression ratios, and tend to be closer to the actual. After we have a few years of full day kindergarten, we will be able to develop k to 1st grade progression ratios and use them, instead of the current method, to predict first grade enrollment at each school.

Michael Goldberg had sent the committee some time plots derived from the ten year real estate data. It appears that home sales could become a second independent variable in one or more of our regression equations, however we need to question Michael on his 2016 assumption, and we will probably need more historical years of home sales data. Alyson Mueller sees home sales this year up slightly from last year, with growth constrained by the limited supply of homes for sale in the district. She will check to see if real estate sales are available by year before 2006.

We found no reason to make any changes to the LRPC model this summer. The LRPC will reconvene after school starts when the Day 1 enrollment is known.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Allison, LRPC chair